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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

(Currently Amended) A method for providing redeemable purchasing incentives to customers, comprising:

displaying to a user of a first user computer, a banner advertisement related to a purchasing incentive;

in response to and in association with the display of the banner advertisement, receiving from the user through the first user computer an identifier associated with a second user computer;

in response to the receipt of the identifier, <u>formatting a coupon according</u>
to a specification of the second computer and transmitting [[a]] <u>the</u>
coupon to the second computer; and

displaying the coupon on the second computer, whereby the coupon can be redeemed directly through its display on the second computer.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the transmitting further includes transmitting the coupon to the second computer, provided the second computer has received less than a predetermined number of coupons.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, where the displaying further comprises displaying a subset of information associated with the coupon to accommodate display characteristics of the second computer.

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7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the transmitting of the coupon to the second computer further comprises transmitting the coupon to a display.

- 8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the display is associated with a wireless telephone.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer to perform a method for providing redeemable purchasing incentives to customers, comprising:
  - displaying to a user of a first user computer, a banner advertisement related to a purchasing incentive;
  - in response to and in association with the display of the banner advertisement, receiving from the user through the first user computer an identifier associated with a second user computer;
  - in response to the receipt of the identifier, <u>formatting a coupon according</u>

    to a specification of the second computer and transmitting [[a]] the
    coupon to the second computer; and
  - displaying the coupon on the second computer, whereby the coupon can be redeemed directly through its display on the second computer.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 9, wherein the transmitting further includes transmitting the coupon to the second computer, provided the second computer has received less than a predetermined number of coupons.

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- 11. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 9, where the displaying further comprises displaying a subset of information associated with the coupon to accommodate display characteristics of the second computer.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A system for providing redeemable purchasing incentives to customers, comprising:

a web server programmed to transmit a banner advertisement related to a purchasing incentive to a first user computer over a network and programmed to receive an identifier that is associated with a second user computer from a user of the first user computer; and an ad server programmed to:

receive the identifier from the web server, and programmed to

format a coupon according to a specification of the second computer, and

transmit [[a]] the coupon to the second computer.

- 13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein the web server is further programmed to receive the banner advertisement from the ad server and subsequently transmit the banner advertisement.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein the coupon transmitted to the second computer comprises a coupon that can be redeemed directly through its display on the second computer.
- 15. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein formatting the coupon comprises formatting the coupon as a text message or an e-mail message.

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16. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 9, wherein formatting the coupon comprises formatting the coupon as a text message or an e-mail message.

- 17. (New) The system of claim 12, wherein the ad server is further programmed to format the coupon as a text message or an e-mail message.
- 18. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising identifying a wireless carrier of the user by comparing at least a portion of the identifier to one or more database records.
- 19. (New) The computer-readable medium of claim 9, the method further comprising identifying a wireless carrier of the user by comparing at least a portion of the identifier to one or more database records.
- 20. (New) The system of claim 12, wherein the ad server is further programmed to identify a wireless carrier of the user by comparing at least a portion of the identifier to one or more database records.
- 21. (New) A method for providing redeemable purchasing incentives to customers, comprising:

transmitting a banner advertisement to a first computer;

receiving, from a user of the first computer, an identifier associated with a second computer;

formatting a coupon according to a specification of the second computer; and

transmitting the coupon to the second computer, wherein the coupon is redeemable directly through its display on the second computer.